Dear Colleagues:

It’s official. Between midterms, a powerful flu season, and dramatic changes in our Missouri weather, both faculty and students were ready—really ready—for Spring Break. But, before we end our break, let’s celebrate some outstanding accomplishments of our students and our faculty.

Under the expert guidance of Professor Michael Ugarte, Danilo Nelson León defended his dissertation titled *Conjunciones y disyunciones entre raza y género: Representaciones fílmicas y literarias de inmigrantes latinoamericanos y africanos ubssaharianos en la España contemporánea*. So he is now Doctor Danilo León. Congratulations, Danilo and Michael. Contact Dr. Danilo Leon at: ndl9p4@mail.mizzou.edu.

Dr. Rita Cavigioli’s article, “Minimal Departures: Narratives of Young Female Mobility in Early 20th Century Italian Children’s Literature,” was accepted for publication and will appear soon in *Quaderni di Italianistica*. Kudos to Rita! Contact Dr. Rita Cavigioli at: CavigioliR@missouri.edu.


Dr. Cordones Cook’s three recent documentaries, *Diago:Artista apalencado/A Maroon Artist, Rogelio Martínez Furé, un Griot cubano/A Cuban Griot* and *Choco* have been shown in screenings across the country: *Diago* and *Rogelio Martínez Furé*, at the Museum of the African Diaspora, San Francisco, in the art show DRAPEATOMIA, curated by Harvard University; *Rogelio Martínez Furé* and *Choco*, at the International Festival de Nuevo Cine Latinoamericano; *Diago* and *Choco*, at the Ethelbert Cooper Gallery of African and African American Art, Hutchins Center for African and African American Art, Harvard University. Congratulations, Juanamaria! Contact Dr. Juanamaria Cordones Cook at CordonesccookJ@missouri.edu.

Best regards,

Charles Presberg

Please share all your good news. Send Brenda Klemme (klemmeb@missouri.edu) or me (presbergc@missouri.edu) any items you wish to appear in our Bulletin by the second and the fourth Tuesday of every month. And please include relevant contact information so that readers can send their inquiries about events and their congratulations for achievements.